some special disadvantages. While the members of Mysore and Hassan districts can generally attend in large numbers the meetings of the Representative Assembly, the members from the districts of Shimoga and Kadur may sometimes have to be absent on account of the distance of their places from the capital. This would be a serious disadvantage at the time of the election of members to the Legislative Council. Mr. H. V. Rangaswami supported the representation and said that if a member was returned for each district, his constituents could influence his judgment more effectively than if he represented a larger number of districts. Competent non-official gentlemen may be found in each district and as this is an unanimous prayer of the Assembly, the Government may kindly be pleased to grant the concession.

Reply of Government.—Noted for consideration.

SUBJECT No. 6.

A Regulation for compulsory primary education.

(1) Messrs. H. Subba Rao, Chitaldrug District Board and Md. Kabula Hussein Sahib, Anjuman-e-Himayathi Islamia, Molakalmuru.
(2) Mr. Sanjiva Rao, Chitaldrug taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(1) A Regulation may be passed at an early date for making primary education compulsory throughout the State. It may be brought into force in some selected localities and gradually extended to the whole State.

(2) The number of schools may be increased.

This was considered along with subject No. 7.

SUBJECT No. 7.

The Elementary Education Bill.

Messrs. S. R. Balakrishna Rao, Shimoga Municipality, Venkatasamiah and Padmanna, Nanjangud taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The Elementary Education Bill drafted by the Education Committee of the Economic Conference may be passed into Law. It is only an enabling Regulation and it may at first be enforced in selected places where full advantage of the existing schools is not availed of.

The members thanked the Government for having decided to introduce the system of Compulsory Education into the State, and generally approved of the principle of the Bill. They offered however certain suggestions regarding details. Messrs. Shankarnarayana Rao, Anniah Pandit and H. Subba Rao, were of opinion that if the Regulation was to apply in the case of girls also, the age limit might be lowered to ten instead of eleven in their case. Messrs. H. V. Rangaswami and S. Venkatesiah suggested that both in the case of boys and girls, the age limits of six and eleven might be fixed. Messrs. K. H. Ramiah and C. Srinivasa Rao, wanted the limits to be extended to twelve. Mr. S. Ramanna of Hassan suggested that the provisions of the Regulation should not be very rigorously worked and that the object should be to popularise the measure. But Messrs. K. H. Ramiah and C. Vasudeva Rao, were of opinion that there were far too many grounds for exemption from attendance and that in order that the bill might not